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S.B. No. 1656

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of certain municipalities to establish
homestead preservation districts and reinvestment zones.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 373A.003(a), Local Government Code, is
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 373A.003. APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER. (a) This chapter
applies to a municipality with a population of more than 750,000
that is located in a uniform state service region with fewer than
800,000 [~~550,000~~] occupied housing units as determined by the most
recent United States decennial census.

(b) Subchapters A, B, C, and D apply to any municipality
with a population of 1.18 million or more which is located
predominantly in a county that has a total area of less than 1,000
square miles and has adopted an urban land bank demonstration
program under Chapter 379C, Local Government Code.

(c) If this chapter applies to a municipality as provided by
Subsection (a), the application of this chapter to the municipality
is not affected if the municipality's population or the number of
occupied housing units changes and the municipality no longer meets
the population requirement of Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.